

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:67

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New National Highways

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new National Highways (NHs) constructed during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has set a target of 11490 kms. of NH for the year 2016-17, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the target of the Government for construction of NHs in the next five years; and
- (d) the steps taken to actively involve the State Governments in the construction of NHs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 67 ANSWERED ON 21.07.2016 ASKED BY SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR AND PROF. K.V. THOMAS REGARDING NEW NATIONAL HIGHWAYS.

(a) The National Highways (NHs) constructed during the last three years 2013-14, 2014-15 & 2015-16 are 4260, 4410 & 6062 km and state-wise details are given at Annexure-I.

(b) The existing NH length is 103519 km & nearly 42725 km has been approved in principle subject to the outcome of DPRs. The Length under different schemes which is targeted for completion in next five years are :

NHDP = 27,461 km
NH(O) = 6161 km
Setubharatam = 1708 Bridges (including 208 ROB/RUBs)
Chardham = 900 km
SARDP-NE = 5682 km
LWE = 568 km
VGF Scheme = 473 km

(c) and (d) Targets for construction are generally finalized on year to year basis. The targets finalized for the current financial year 2016-17 as 15000 km and details are given at Annexure-II. The public works department of state governments are involved in execution of the work on national highways entrusted to them. In addition the state government assist as the following :

(i) The land acquisition for highway projects is done with the help of State Governments as the competent authorities and the arbitrators under the NH Act are State Government officials.

(ii) The state government officials are involved in forest clearances, public utility shifting, etc.

(iii) Strengthening the infrastructure and manpower resources are done with the help of State Governments.

